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Re:

Petition for Rulemaking Mill Hall, Pennsylvania;

Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania; and Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania

Dear Ms. Salas:

On behalf of Forever Broadcasting, LLC, we are herewith filing an original and four (4) copies of its "Petition for Rulemaking" to reallot Channel 249A from Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, and reallot Channel 254A from Mill Hall, Pennsylvania to Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania.

Should any questions arise with respect to this matter, please contact the undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

KAYE, SCHOLER, FIERMAN, HAYS & HANDLER, LLP

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### Federal Communications Commission

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(Mill	Hall, Pennsylvania;	)					
Jersey	Shore, Pennsylvania; and	)					
Pleasa	ant Gap, Pennsylvania)	)					
TO:	Chief, Allocations Branch						
	Policy and Rules Division						
	Mass Media Bureau						

#### **PETITION FOR RULEMAKING**

Forever Broadcasting, LLC ("Forever"), licensee of Radio Station WZRZ(FM),
Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, by its counsel and pursuant to Section 1.420 of the Commission's
Rules, hereby requests that the Commission amend Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules
to (1) reallot Channel 249A from Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania and
modify Radio Station WVRT(FM)'s license accordingly; and (2) reallot Channel 254A from
Mill Hall, Pennsylvania to Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania and modify Radio Station WZRZ(FM)'s
license accordingly. In support thereof, the following is respectfully shown:

1. As indicated in the attached Engineering Statement of William J. Getz of Carl T. Jones Corporation, Channel 242B1 and Channel 249A are presently allotted to Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania. Radio Station WVRT(FM) operates on Channel 249A at Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania, while Radio Station WJSA-FM operates on Channel 242B1. As indicated by the attached, Channel 249A can be allotted to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania with no site restriction, and the allotment reference site complies with all Commission Rules.

- 2. Similarly, Channel 254A can be realloted to Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania as that community's first local service with a site restriction of 8.0 kilometers northwest and in compliance with all Commission Rules.
- 3. Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania is a Census Designated Place with a 1990 U.S.

  Census population of 1,699 persons (see attached) and is located in Spring Township which is a part of Centre County. Pleasant Gap has an elementary school, a volunteer fire department, a post office, a number of local businesses, restaurants, gas stations, banks and churches.

  Therefore, Pleasant Gap has all the attributes of, and constitutes, a "community" for the purposes of Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules. FM Channel Assignments (Biltmore Forest, North Carolina), 63 RR 2d 251 (1987). However, no AM or FM stations are currently licensed to Pleasant Gap, either commercial or non-commercial. Consequently, the allocation of Channel 254A to Pleasant Gap will constitute its first local service.
- 4. Furthermore, neither Mill Hall, Pennsylvania nor Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania will be left bereft of FM service in that we are herein proposing to allot Channel 249A to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania as a replacement service and Channel 242B1 will remain at Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania along with Radio Station WJSA(AM) operating at 1600 kHz.
- 5. The proposed reallotment complies with the Commission's Rules and would serve the Commission's allotment priorities and the public interest. In <u>Amendment of the Commission's Rules Regarding Modification of FM and TV Authorizations to Specify a New Community of License</u>, 4 FCC Rcd 4870 (1989), recons. granted in part, 5 FCC Rcd 7094 (1990) (hereinafter, "Community of License"), the Commission stated that a proposed channel must be mutually exclusive with the existing channel and the new community must be preferred over the

existing community under the Commission's allotment priorities. The proposed allotment of Channel 254A at Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania is mutually exclusive with the current use of Channel 254A at Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, and the proposed allotment of Channel 249A to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania is mutually exclusive with the present use of Channel 249A at Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania.

- 6. Moreover, as indicated, the new community, Pleasant Gap, will obtain a first local service, whereas both Mill Hall and Jersey Shore will retain service as a result of the instant proposal. Under the Commission's allotment criteria a first local service is preferred over additional local services. See, Revision of FM Assignment Policies and Procedures, 90 FCC 2d 88 (1982). Additionally, grant of the instant Petition will allow Radio Station WZRZ(FM) to increase to a fully spaced maximum Class A facility and the proposed arrangement of allotments will allow Radio Station WCBA-FM, Corning, Pennsylvania to increase to a fully spaced maximum Class A facility from its licensed transmitter site.
- 7. Attached hereto is the Declaration of Sabatino Cupelli, President of DHRB Incorporated, consenting to (1) the proposed reallotment of Channel 249A from Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, (2) the proposed change in the reference coordinates for the allotment, and (3) the modification of the license of Radio Station WVRT(FM) to operate on that channel. Furthermore, Mr. Cupelli certifies that should the Commission grant the instant proposal to, inter alia, reallot Channel 249A from Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania to Mill Hall,

As illustrated in the attached Engineering Statement, the proposed Pleasant Gap allotment will only provide 23% city grade service to the State College urbanized area and, therefore, should be considered as a first local service to Pleasant Gap. <u>Headland</u>, <u>Alabama and Chattahoochee, Florida</u>, 10 FCC Rcd 10352 (1995).

Pennsylvania, DHRB Incorporated will file an application for the new facilities and, when granted, will implement that application expeditiously.

8. Additionally, Petitioner hereby states that should the Commission grant the instant proposal to reallot Channel 254A from Mill Hall, Pennsylvania to Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania, and modify Radio Station WZRZ(FM)'s license accordingly, Petitioner will file an application for the new facilities and, when granted, will implement that application expeditiously.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Forever Broadcasting, LLC respectfully requests that the Commission amend its Table of Allotments to reallot Channel 254A from Mill Hall, Pennsylvania to Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania, and to reallot Channel 249A from Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania.

Respectfully submitted,

FOREVER BROADCASTING, LLC

Allan G. Moskowitz

Its Attorney

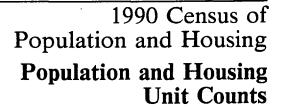
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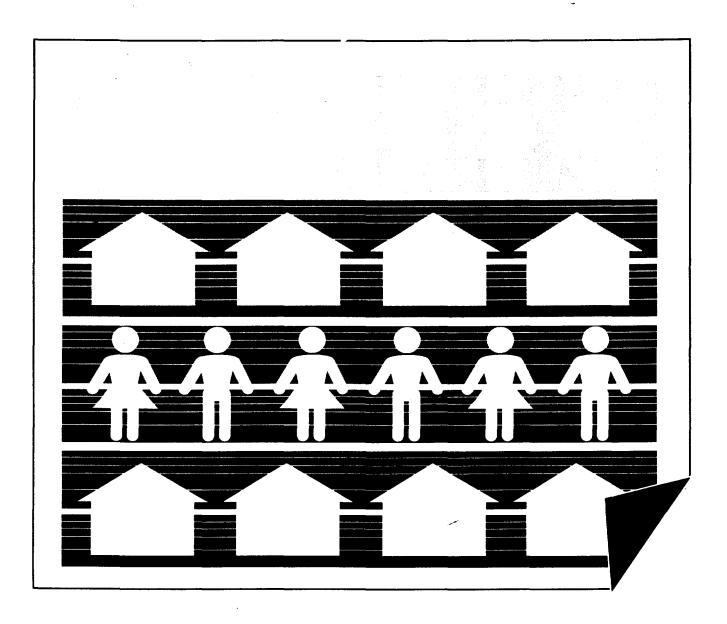
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March 25, 1999

Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC

Dear Secretary:

On behalf of DHRB, Inc., licensee of Radio Station WVRT(FM), Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania, this will serve to certify the licensee's consent to the reallocation of Channel 249A from Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, and the modification of WVRT(FM)'s license to operate on Channel 249A at Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, and to any other changes in the Table of Allotments incidental to changing WVRT(FM)'s community of license from Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania.

Furthermore, should the Commission amend the Table of Allotments to reallot Channel 249A from Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, the licensee shall expeditiously file an application to modify WVRT(FM)'s facilities to operate on Channel 249A at Mill Hall, Pennsylvania.

Respectfully submitted,

DHRB, INC.

SABATINO CUPELLÍ, PRESIDENT



# STATEMENT OF WILLIAM J. GETZ IN SUPPORT OF A PETITION TO AMEND THE FM TABLE OF ALLOTMENTS

I am a Radio Engineer, an employee in the firm of Carl T. Jones Corporation with offices located in Springfield, Virginia. My education and experience are a matter of record with the Federal Communications Commission.

This office has been authorized by Forever Broadcasting, LLC, licensee of WZRZ(FM), Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, to prepare this statement in support of a Petition to Amend the FM Table of Allotments, Section 73.202(b) of the FCC Rules. The petitioner requests that Section 73.202(b) of the FCC Rules be modified in the following manner:

	<u>Present</u>	Proposed
Mill Hall, PA	254A	249A
Jersey Shore, PA	242B1, 249A	242B1
Pleasant Gap, PA		254A

Radio station WZRZ(FM), Mill Hall, PA, is currently licensed to operate on Channel 254A (FCC File No. BLH-961020KD). Radio station WVRT(FM), Jersey Shore, PA, is currently licensed to operate on Channel 249A (FCC File No. BLH-BLH-920226KA). This Petition for Rulemaking will allow WZRZ(FM) to increase to a fully-spaced maximum Class

A facility (6 kW ERP @ 100 m HAAT) and relocate in order to provide a first local service to Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania. Radio station WVRT(FM) will provide a replacement service to Mill Hall, PA. In addition, the proposed arrangement of allotments will allow WCBA-FM, Corning, PA (FCC File No. BLH-890216KC) to increase to a fully-spaced maximum Class A facility (6 kW ERP @ 100 m HAAT) from its licensed transmitter site.

An engineering study of all pertinent allotments, assignments and applications revealed that Channel 249A can be allotted to Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, with no site restriction. The allotment reference coordinates for Channel 249A at Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, are 41° 08' 03" N.L. and 77° 28' 09" W.L.¹ The Mill Hall allotment reference site meets the allotment standards, the minimum spacing requirements of §73.207 and the city-grade coverage requirements of §73.315 of the FCC rules.

An engineering study of all pertinent allotments, assignments and applications revealed that Channel 254A can be allotted to Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania, [population 1,699] with a site restriction of 8.0 kilometers northwest. The allotment reference coordinates for Channel 254A at Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania, are 40° 55' 58" N.L. and 77° 45' 40" W.L. The Pleasant Gap allotment reference site meets the allotment standards, the minimum spacing requirements of §73.207 and the city-grade coverage requirements of §73.315 of the FCC rules. WZRZ(FM) would be the first local service for Pleasant Gap, PA. As illustrated in Exhibit 1, the proposed Pleasant Gap Class A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This is an existing tower site (Tower Registration Number 1026154).

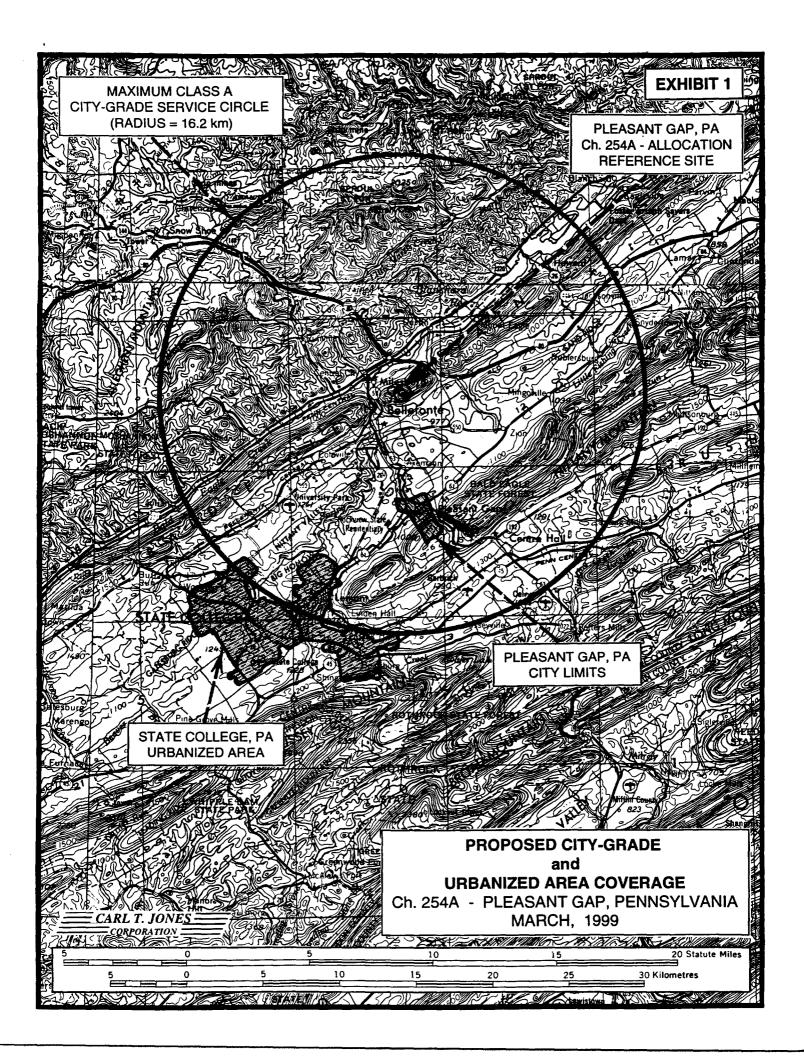
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allotment will provide 100% of Pleasant Gap with city-grade service and only 23% of the U.S. Census-designated State College, PA, urbanized area with city-grade service.

This statement was prepared by me or under my direct supervision and is believed to be true and correct.

DATED: March 16, 1999

William Y. Getz



#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Diane E. Bateman, of the law firm Kaye, Scholer, Fierman, Hays & Handler, LLP, do hereby certify that on this 26th day of March, 1999, a copy of the foregoing "Petition for Rulemaking" was hand-delivered to the following:

John A. Karousos Chief, Allocations Branch Policy and Rules Division Mass Media Bureau Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

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